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SUBJ: GATT: REVISION OF NTB INVENTORY

REF: PATTERSON LETTER TO MILLER, JULY 16

1. WE CAN AGREE TO REQUESTED DELETION OF FOLLOWING
NTB NOTIFICATIONS BECAUSE NOTIFIED MEASURES HAVE BEEN
WITHDRAWN: AUSTRALIAN ARTICLE X1X ACTION ON CERTAIN
TEXTILES (NO. 2L4); U.K. PRIOR DEPOSIT SCHEME (NO. 408);
ITALIAN ADMINISTRATIVE DUTY (NO. 435); AND ITALIAN
STATISTICAL DUTY (NO. 436). NOTIFICATION AGAINST AUSTRIAN
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BORDER TAX ADJUSTMENTS (NO. 520) MAY ALSO BE DELETED ON

GROUND THAT THESE ARE COVERED BY GENERAL U.S. NOTIFICATION ON BORDER TAX ADJUSTMENTS.

2. WE CANNOT AGREE TO REQUESTED DELETION OF FOLLOWING NOTIFICATIONS BECAUSE JUSTIFICATION GIVEN FOR DELETION NOT ADEQUATE.

(A) ECSC COKING COAL SUBSIDIES (NO. 3.1)- WHILE IT TRUE THAT AIDS EXPIRED DEC. 31, 1972, EC COUNCIL IN JULY 1973 APPROVED REGULATION GRANTING AIDS UNDER NEW FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS (EC BRUSSELS 4249).

(B) ITALIAN TOBACCO MONOPOLY (NO. 60). WE UNDERSTAND (L/3653/ADD. 13) THAT ITALIAN GOVERNMENT HAS

ABOLISHED MONOPOLY ON UNMANUFACTURED TOBACCO BUT THAT MANUFACTURED TOBACCO STILL CONTROLLED BY MONOPOLY. NOTIFICATION SHOULD BE MODIFIED ACCORDINGLY.

(C) AUSTRIAN MARKET DISRUPTION LEGISLATION (NO. 8L). ALTHOUGH NEW ANTIDUMPING LAW BECAME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1972, NEW ANTI MARKET DISRUPTION LAW BECAME EFFECTIVE ON SAME DATE AND APPEARS TO INCORPORATE SUBSTANCE OF U.S. NOTIFICATION.

(D) FRENCH ANNUAL USE TAX ON CARS (NO. 490). WE NOT AWARE OF ANY CHANGE IN THIS TAX. NO REASON GIVEN FOR REQUESTED DELETION OF NOTIFICATION.

(E) EC VARIABLE LEVIES (NO. 5L5). VARIABLE LEVIES APPLY TO IMPORTS OF PROCESSED FOOD PRODUCTS AND, THEREFORE, THERE NO REASON TO TRANSFER THIS NOTIFICATION TO AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE.

(3) WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING WHEN SECRETARIAT PLANS TO ISSUE REVISED NTB INVENTORY. ROGERS

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